Defence aircratfs used by VIPs

*7. SHRI M.A. BABY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the Union Ministers and other VIPs who have used aircrafts belonging to his Ministry for official other purposes during the last two years;

(b) the details thereof and the amount overdue to his Ministry from each of the users; and

(c) the status of recovery of the charges from each user, the period since when the amount is overdue, the reasons for delay in recovery and steps taken/proposed to be taken for realisation of the overdue amount without further delay?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MULAYAM SINGH YADAV): (a) to (c) The President, the Vice-President, the Prime Minister and Raksha Mantri/Raksha Rajya Mantri are entitled to use VIP flights of the IAF for discharge of their official duties. The other Central Ministers and also the foreign Heads of States can make use of these flights, subject to availability, on payment basis. Details of users are being maintained agency-wise and not in the name of individual Ministers/VIPs. A Statement indicating the amounts due from the Union Ministries/Departments as on 29th March, 1996 is placed on the Table of the House (*See* below). An amount of Rs. 101.4 Crores has been realised in 1995-96. Collection drives, other than the regular collection process, are undertaken to clear the arrears.

Statement

Details of Outstanding Payments towards Airlift charges from Union Ministries/Departments—as on 29.3.1996

(Figures in Rs.)

Sl.No.	Ministry/ Department	Amount Outstanding
1.	Cabinet Secretariat	6,84,856.00
2	Civil Aviation & Tourism	16,61,580.00
3.	Communication	9,90,465.00
4.	Environment & Forests	4,33,692.00
5	Finance	27,260.00
6	Food	21,657.00
7	Health and Family Welfare	72,11,847.00
8.	Home Affairs	4,00,47,652.00
9	Human Resources Development	5,58,565.00
10	Information & Broadcasting	10,57,09,924.00
11.	Labour	35,000.00
12.	External Affairs	4,35,82,024.00
13.	Parliamentary Affairs	6,27,065.00
14	Planning Commission	64,35,903.00
15.	Prime Minister (unofficial use)	25,57,01,990.00
16.	Prime Minister's Office	60,42,237.00
17.	Power	9,40,208.00
18.	Railways	3,09,792.00
19.	Rural & Employment	23,69,585.00
20.	Surface Transport	20,76,453.00
21	Water Resources	5,52,419.00
	TOTAL	47,60,20,174.00

Allocation of Funds under Integrated Rural Development Programme and JRY

*8. SHRI MOHINDAR SINGH KALYAN: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the Central allocation of funds to the State Government under the Integrated Rural Development Programme and the Jawahar Rojgar Yojana during the last two years, State-wise;

(b) the funds actually utilised and unutilised by the State Governments, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to increase the Central assistance to the State Governments for expansion of employment opportunities?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. YERRAN NAIDU): (a) and (b) Statements on funds allocated, utilised and unutilised during the last two years i.e. 1994-95 and 1995-96 State-wise under Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) and Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) are given in Annexures I to VI. *[See Appendix 178, Annexure No. 2]*

(c) Several initiatives have been taken in recent months for expansion of sustainable employment opportunities under IRDP. These include steps to increase investment per family, measures to mobilise additional credit through credit targets, expansion of the family credit plan to 213 districts of the country, increase in allocation for infrastructure development, promotion of group activities and introduction of a new category of beneficiaries for educated unemployed youth with enhanced limits for subsidy. It is also proposed to seek enhanced allocation for self employment programme during the 9th Plan.

Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) has been restructured by the Government with effect from 1.1.1996. Accordingly, JRY has been split into three independent schemes: Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) and Million Wells Scheme (MWS). The second stream of JRY which was now as Intensified JRY was merged with Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS).

Revival Plan for Hooghly Dock and Port Engg. Limited

*9. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:
SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the revival plan of Hooghly Dock and Port Engg. Limited (HDPEL);

(b) the time-frame for implementing short-term revival plan;

(c) whether financial restructuring forms a part of the revival plan and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether a long-term corporate plan has been drawn for HDPEL?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI G. VENKATRAMAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A short-term revival plan is under the consideration of the Govt.

(c) and (d) No. Sir. As yet, no long-term corporate plan including capital restructuring has been drawn-up for HDPEL.

Construction of Super Highways

*10. SHRI K. RAMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sanctioned construction of Super Highways in the country and if so, the details of such approved highways;

(b) whether Super Highways are being planned in Karnataka, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Super Highways are being offered on BOT basis to Multinationals; and

(d) which are the foreign firms who have come forward to participate in building Super Highways?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI G. VENKATRAMAN): (a) No, Sir.